

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: To Be Assigned  
Applicant: T. Yamaguchi et al.  
Filed: Herewith  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A DATA SERIES  
INCLUDING PROCESSING PRIORITY DATA (AS AMENDED)  
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Examiner: To Be Assigned  
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Applicant: Takao Yamaguchi et al.  
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Title: AUDIO-VIDEO TRANSMITTER AND AUDIO-VIDEO RECEIVER, DATA-  
PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD, WAVEFORM-DATA-TRANSMITTING  
METHOD AND APPARATUS AND WAVEFORM-DATA-RECEIVING METHOD  
AND APPARATUS, AND VIDEO-TRANSMITTING METHOD AND APPARATUS  
AND VIDEO-RECEIVING METHOD AND APPARATUS  
TC/A.U.: 2611  
Examiner: Victor R. Kostak  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- ☒ **Amendments to the Title** are on page **2** of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page **3** of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page **18** of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page **19** of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Abstract** are on page        of this paper. A clean version of the Abstract is on page        of this paper.
- ☐ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page        of this paper.

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**Amendments to the Title:**

Please replace the Title with the following:

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